

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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Funds for Maintenance of NHs

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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the funds provided by the Government to the State Governments including Rajasthan and Maharashtra for the maintenance of National Highways during the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) whether various State Governments including Rajasthan have been requesting to enhance the budget allotment for maintenance of National Highways in order to clear the pending liabilities, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a) The details of funds provided by the Government to State Governments including Rajasthan and Maharashtra for maintenance of National Highways during the last 3 years, State-wise is enclosed as Annexure-I.

(b) & (c) The maintenance of National Highways is an on-going and continuous process. The allocation of budget to various States for maintenance of National Highways is done based on the length of National Highways in the State, its condition, actual need of NH users, cost of maintenance and fund availability. It has been noted that most of the States are demanding increased funding allocation under maintenance head which is to be restricted based on the fund availability and other factors mentioned above.

In order to reduce the budgetary support dependence for maintenance of National Highways, Ministry is also taken up projects for construction and operation & maintenance (O&M) with long concession period under PPP/Hybrid mode.